

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend paragraph 0001 as follows:

[0001] The present application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/969,753, filed October 3, 2001, which is a continuation of PCT/EP01/00993 filed January 31, 2001, and published August 9, 2001 in French as ~~new~~ WO 01/57116 A1, which claims priority to French Application No. FR 00/01398, filed February 3, 2000, all of which are incorporated herein in their entirety. The present invention concerns an adhesive composition that can be used to bond textile fibers adhesively to a cross-linkable rubber composition. The invention also relates to textile fibers sized by means of the adhesive composition, a composite comprising the sized textile fibers and a cross-linked rubber composition that is permeable to light, and a tire body whose sidewalls comprise the composite.